Turkey and Kentucky: A Job-Creating Economic Partnership



Kentucky imports more from Turkey than from any other MENA country.

In 2019, Kentucky imported \$232 million worth of goods and services from Turkey - \$52 million more than it did in 2018.

Kentucky is home to more than 500 Turkish Americans, many of whom are small business owners.

Turkey is the second biggest importer from Kentucky in the MENA region.

In 2019, Turkey imported almost \$40 million worth of goods and services from Kentucky.

Turkish imports from Kentucky include a wide variety of food products, gaskets, and mechanical seals.



Thousands of people across Turkey are currently employed by Kentucky-based companies which have major investments and generate significant revenue in Turkey.



Brown-Forman: Louisville

- Brown-Forman has around 1,300 employees in Kentucky and owns sixteen of the world's most popular brands of alcoholic beverages
- In Turkey, Brown-Forman sells its prodcuts all over the country and has an office in Istanbul with 54 employees.



Papa John's Pizza: Jeffersontown

- Kentucky's seventh largest company, Papa John's Pizza has more than 1,200 employees in the state alone.
- In Turkey, Papa John's has sixty locations and more than 300 employees.



Yum! Brands: Louisville

- Based in Louisville, Yum! Brands operates KFC, Pizza Hut, Taco Bell, Habit Burger Grill, and WingStreet.
- In Turkey, Yum! operates more than 150 locations and has around 1,000 employees.

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